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Applicant : Wilf Le Blanc et al.
 Application No. : 09/697,777
 Filed : October 26, 2000
 Title : VOICE AND DATA EXCHANGE OVER A
 PACKET BASED NETWORK WITH
 COMFORT NOISE GENERATION
 Grp./Div. : 2644
 Examiner : To be Assigned
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, at line 23, before "FIELD OF THE INVENTION" add the following paragraph:

This application contains subject matter that is related to co-pending patent Application No. 09/639,527, filed August 16, 2000; co-pending patent Application No. 09/493,458, filed January 28, 2000; co-pending patent Application No. 09/643,920, filed August 23, 2000; co-pending patent Application No. 09/692,554, filed October 19, 2000; co-pending patent Application No. 09/644,586, filed August 23, 2000; co-pending patent Application No. 09/643,921, filed August 23, 2000; co-pending patent Application No. 09/653,261, filed August 31, 2000; co-